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MEMORANDUM FOR: See Distribution

FROM : PB/NSC Coordinator

SUBJECT : Presidential Briefings (U)

1. The following is provided for information and planning purposes. Please provide to all affected Offices/Divisions and key personnel. (U)

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2. During his 12 March meeting the Director ran out of time before he could get to his prepared briefing on [REDACTED]. That subject is being carried over to the next briefing. [REDACTED]

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3. The next briefing is scheduled for 26 March. There are Pre-Briefs scheduled for 19 and 24 March following the practice of the last briefing go-around. The first Pre-Brief (19 March) will be more of a screening session wherein the Director will discuss certain subjects in which he has expressed an interest with a small group of analysts. Then, at the end of each discussion, a decision will be made as to whether a Presidential Briefing will be developed. The following will be the topics of discussion on the 19th:

- Implications of Transition in Rhodesia for southern Africa
- Update on Soviet Brigade Activity
- Middle East issues

- Syria: Prospects for Assad and Implication for Prolonged Instability if Assad Falls
- Pan-Arab Charter
- Palestinians: Prospects for Increased Militancy

- Reactions to Shift of US forces to Indian Ocean

(Discussion based on paper done for Brzezinski)

- Effect of Conflicts in SE Asia and Afghanistan on ASEAN

[REDACTED]

4. In addition to these subjects for discussion, the Director has asked that short papers be done on the following subjects for possible use next week:

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- Evidence of Chemical Warfare use in Afghanistan (with photos)
- Libya: Qaddhafi's Recent Diplomatic Activity and His Internal Problems

• [REDACTED]

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- SITREP on Kampuchean Refugees [REDACTED]

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